# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
# LOK SABHA

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FITNESS OF INDIAN SPORTSMEN FOR SYDNEY OLYMPICS
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**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the tennis team and some other sportsmen participated in the Sydney Olympics 2000 events were reported to be unfit for their respective games;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the circumstances under which their inclusion in the Indian contingent were considered?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. Ms. Sunita Rani one of the best middle distance runner of the country was unfortunately injured and on the recommendations of Doctors she was allowed to train a few days prior to the Olympics expecting that she may be fit prior to her race. As such she was included in the team for Olympics. She is the most talented and medal hope in the forth coming Afro Asian Games, 2001, Asian Games, 2002 and Olympic Games 2004.She was sent to Sydney with a view that even if she may not be able to participate, she will have rich experience for future while observing the best athletes.